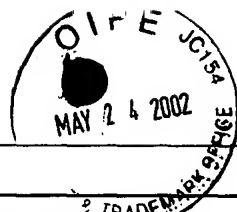


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Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment to the patent application identified above. Prior to examination of the subject application, please enter the following amendment to the specification:

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

Please insert the attached "Sequence Listing" as separately numbered pages 1-5 after the abstract.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 21-29, 31-35, 37-43, 45-52 and 54-60, without prejudice to renewal.

REMARKS

Formal Matters

The present application has been amended to insert the Sequence Listing.

Claims 1-20, 30, 36, 44, and 53 are pending.

No new matter is added.